

LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JUNE 8, 2015



The meeting of June 8, 2015 was held at 10:00 a.m. at the Los Angeles County Arts Commission at 1055 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 800, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

Present: Helen Hernandez

Constance Jolcuvar Bettina Korek Claudia Margolis Richard Montoya Alis Clausen Odenthal

Claire Peeps Rosalind Wyman

Absent: Pamela Bright-Moon (excused)

Betty Haagen (excused) Eric Hanks (excused) Peter Lesnik (excused) Araceli Ruano (excused) Hope Warschaw (excused)

Staff Laura Zucker, Executive Director
Present: Miriam Gonzalez, Executive Assistant

Anji Gaspar-Milanovic, Director of Grants and Professional Development

Margaret Bruning, Director of Civic Art

President Peeps called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

Absentee Excuses

Roll was taken and on a motion by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, the excused absences for the meeting of June 8, 2015 were unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Montoya, seconded by Commissioner Jolcuvar, that the minutes for the meeting of May 11, 2015 be approved with an amendment to add "excused" to the listing of absences as needed.

Correspondence

None.

Presidents Items

President Peeps reported she attended the Deaf West production of *Spring Awakening* at the Wallis Annenberg Theatre.

Executive Director's Report

Laura Zucker, Executive Director, reported the Board of Supervisors is scheduled to approve the budget for 2015-2016 on June 22, 2015. Budget items not approved but still under consideration could be included in the supplemental budget changes on September 29, 2015.

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Civic Art Committee

Commissioner Jolcuvar reported the Civic Art Committee, attended by Commissioners Jolcuvar, Korek, and Montoya, met on June 8, 2015 to review a correction and additional donation of artwork to LAC+USC Medical Center, proposed revisions to the Civic Art Policy, and a proposed revision to the civic art procedures.

A motion was made by Commissioner Montoya, seconded by Commissioner Korek and unanimously approved by the Civic Art Committee, to accept the donation of artwork from Dr. Michael W. Pelle (attached) and recommend approval to the Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jolcuvar, seconded by Commissioner Korek and unanimously approved by the Civic Art Committee, to accept the Civic Art Policy revisions (attached) and recommend approval to the Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jolcuvar, seconded by Commissioner Montoya and unanimously approved by the Civic Art Committee, to approve the change to the Civic Art Procedures (attached) and recommend approval to the Commission.

Civic Art Donation

Commissioner Jolcuvar presented the recommendations by the Civic Art Committee and Margaret Bruning, Director of Civic Art, gave an overview of each item under consideration, answered questions by Commissioners, and distributed a handout, *Civic Art Program: Projects per Project Manager* (attached), and postcards of completed civic art projects.

Following discussion regarding the County's civic art gift policy, a motion was made by Commissioner Montoya, seconded by Commissioner Margolis and unanimously approved, to accept the donation of 15 oil paintings by George Gách from Dr. Michael W. Peelle on behalf of the LAC+USC Medical Center and to make a correction to the previous donation from D. Beau Peelle at the April 13, 2015 commission from 25 to 33 artworks.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and unanimously approved, to accept the Civic Art Policy revisions as presented by the Civic Art Committee (attached), allow the staff to make any necessary technical changes in language following input from the Chief Executive Office and recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Jolcuvar, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and unanimously approved, to raise the recommended threshold from \$30,000 to \$75,000 for the implementation of civic art projects and adopt the new Civic Art Procedures (attached).

2015-2016 Organizational Grant Program Awards

Anji Gaspar-Milanovic, Director of Grants and Professional Development, gave an overview of the proposed 2015-2016 grant award allocations totaling \$4,518,000 and reviewed the proposed grant awards for each category. She distributed a graph comparing the current and previous year awards for each budget category (attached) and explained how the grant awards are determined by budget size, request amount, panel score, and total funds available.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commission Montoya and unanimously approved, to accept the grant award recommendations

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as presented for OGP 1 and OGP 2 (<u>attached</u>) and recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors.

[Commissioner Wyman recused herself and left the room.]

A motion was made by Commissioner Margolis, seconded by Commissioner Korek, to accept the grant award recommendations as presented for OGP 3 (<u>attached</u>) and recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Wyman recusing herself from the vote.

[Commissioner Wyman re-entered the room.]

[Commissioner Montoya recused himself and left the room.]

A motion was made by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, to accept the grant award recommendations as presented for OGP 4 (<u>attached</u>) and recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Montoya recusing himself from the vote.

[Commissioner Montoya re-entered the room.]

Community Impact Arts Grant (CIAG)

Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, a member of the Community Impact Arts Grant (CIAG) Ad Hoc Committee, reported the committee met on May 11, 2015 to review and discuss the timeline, outreach and guidelines and was attended by Commissioners Bright-Moon, Jolcuvar, Lesnik and Clausen Odenthal with Commissioner Hernandez excused.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commissioner Montoya, and unanimously approved to accept the recommendation by the CIAG Ad Hoc Committee and approve the CIAG grant guidelines and application as presented (attached).

OGP Guidelines

Laura Zucker gave an overview of the memo outlining the arts education requirement for OGP applicants and current Common Core State Standard and California State Visual and Performing Arts Standards. No changes were recommended at this time and the item will be reviewed at a future date when the new state standards have been adopted.

Public Comment

None.

The Arts Commission meeting of June 8, 2015 was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. by President Peeps, seconded by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, and unanimously approved.